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Kheltay Raho captivates audience at World Culture Festival

Dawn Report

KARACHI: The World Culture Festival 2025 on Wednesday was marked by the celebration of film and theatre, featuring screenings and stage performances in Urdu and Sindhi languages that received great appreciation from the audience.

Renowned playwright and director Sameena Nazeer presented her Urdu theatre play *Kheltay Raho* at Studio II.

Actors Samhan Ghazi and Rachna Kirpalani delivered powerful performances in this two-character absurd play set in a cold, lonely night in Istanbul.

The story depicts a woman seeking shelter from bad weather with her baby and the emotional world that unfolds within the flat — filled with hope, fear, truth, and illusion.

Earlier, the 13th day of the mega event began with a film screening session titled 'Central / South Asian Stories' featuring *Fish on the Hook*, a joint Iran and Tajikistan production and *Scent of Life* from Afghanistan.

Both films attracted a large audience.

Fish on the Hook, directed by Muhiddin Muzaffar, tells the story of a 10-year-old boy named Daler, who embarks on a journey with a gambler named Samad to find his mother. Along the way, Daler faces challenges that shape his personality and maturity. The film highlights the importance of family from a child's perspective.

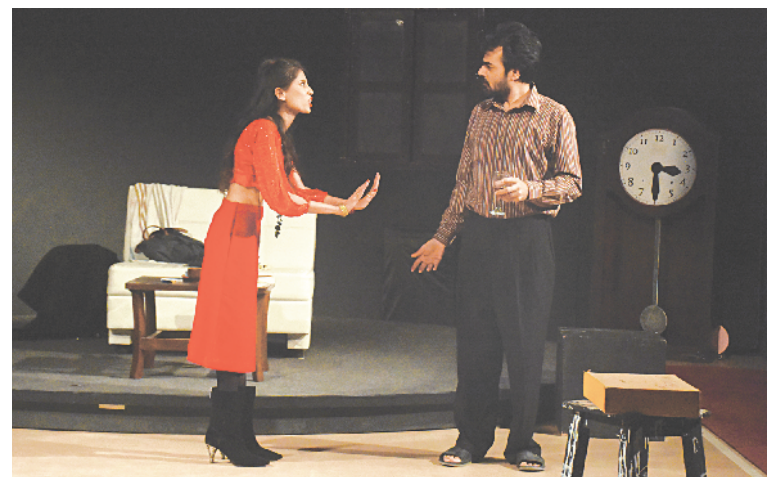
Scent of Life, directed by Sayed Mohsen Hossaini, portrays a student preparing a gift for his friend. The film, presented in Persian, was praised for its emotional simplicity and human connection.

At the end of the film screening, a bouquet was presented to Satish Anand by the Arts Council of Pakistan Karachi as a gesture of appreciation.

The day concluded with the Sindhi adaptation of the French playwright, actress, and novelist Yasmina Reza's acclaimed drama *Art*, directed by Paras Masroor.

The cast, Arshad Shaikh, Nadir Hussain, and Umair Bhutto, captivated the audience with their remarkable performances.

Both Urdu and Sindhi theatre performances received overwhelming applause from the audience, reflecting Karachi's deep appreciation for art and culture.



A SCENE from the play.—Dawn

'Wanted TTP militant' held in Shershah raid

By Our Staff Reporter

KARACHI: Sindh Rangers and the Counter-Terrorism Department claimed to have arrested a suspected militant belonging to the outlawed Tehreek-i-Taliban Pakistan (TTP) on Wednesday.

A Rangers spokesperson said in a statement that acting on a tip-off the law enforcers conducted a joint raid in Shershah and arrested "most-wanted criminal" Muhammad Noor, alias Khum.

He claimed to have recovered arms, ammunition and explosives from his custody.

During interrogation, the held suspect had 'confessed' to his involvement in targeted killings, extortion, bomb blasts, kidnapping for ransom and several police encounters, the spokesperson said.

According to the statement, the held suspect had joined the TTP's Qayum Mehsud group in 2010 and carried out terrorist activities in the metropolis. There were several FIRs registered against him at the Manghopir and Khawaja Ajmer Nagri police stations.

In 2013 and afterwards, most of his accomplices were either killed or arrested by law enforcers during the Karachi operation. He left the city and went to Khyber Pakhtunkhwa to avoid arrest. He was handed over to the police for further legal action.

SC overturns life term of seminary student in classmate's murder case

Acquits the appellant on benefit of doubt

By Ishaq Tanoli

KARACHI: The Supreme Court (SC) has overturned the life imprisonment handed down to a seminary student in the murder case of his classmate by extending to him the benefit of doubt.

The apex court observed that the prosecution's case, which rested wholly on circumstantial evidence, was mired in doubt as the motive had not been proved, while there was no proof against the appellant / petitioner for allegedly teasing or quarrelling with the deceased before the incident.

A sessions court had sentenced Fazal Mehmood to death in November 2019 for killing his classmate, Raziullah, at a seminary in the Bahadurabad locality in November 2015.

Thereafter, the convict, through his lawyer, approached the Sindh High Court (SHC) challenging his conviction order, and the SHC had commuted the capital punishment to life imprisonment in April 2021. Subsequently, the appellant challenged the SHC's verdict in the Supreme Court.

A three-judge bench of the SC comprising Justice Athar Minallah, Justice Irfan Saadat Khan and Justice Malik Shahzad Ahmad Khan, in its judgment, noted that the prosecution's case was bereft of any ocular account and rested wholly on circumstantial material.

Regarding the CCTV material, it said the same did not inspire confidence since no site plan aligned the camera's field of view with the locus in quo; there was no proof of continuous recording and time-sync or system clocks, nor any demonstration that the footage was free from edits or overlays.

It also observed that there was no forensic report regarding the veracity of the footage and, even on its face, the footage was equivocal as resolution, angles and lighting did not permit positive identification beyond reasonable doubt.

The apex court further noted that the last-seen together circumstance was equally frail, as the prosecution must have established with clarity the specific point in time when the deceased was last alive in the company of the accused. The common accommodation of the victim at the seminary, with multiple persons having ready access to each other, undermined the value of the last-seen evidence.

In such circumstances, it said, an inference that the petitioner alone could have committed the act would be speculative at best, and this fact remained a neutral circumstance that may arouse suspicion but could not shoulder the evidentiary burden needed for a conviction, especially when it had come on record that room No. 4 of the seminary was shared by some 25 students, including the victim and the accused.

The judgement also noted that the recoveries made from scene of occurrence also raised significant questions, as record revealed that a blood-stained knife was recovered from petitioner's bed underneath his pillow and the same was sent for chemical examination and returned with a positive result for traces of human blood.

"Interestingly, however, the medical evidence mentions no injuries attributable to the blade, instead only highlighting injuries sustained as a result of a heavy object falling on the deceased's skull; in our case the cinderblock. This adds another doubt in the plethora contained in the prosecution case," it added.

The SC further observed that the factum of motive had not been proved and there was no record that the petitioner had allegedly teased or quarrelled with the deceased; in fact, one of the witnesses deposed that the deceased and the accused were close friends.

"The prosecution case is thus mired in doubt and it is axiomatic that the benefit of these doubts must accrue in favour of the accused. The prosecution has not been able to prove its case beyond a reasonable doubt and the judgments of the trial court and the high court are accordingly set aside by converting this petition into an appeal and allowing the same. The appellant is resultantly acquitted of the charges levelled against him by extending the benefit of doubt," it concluded.

Exotic animals

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the need for stronger law enforcement and institutional accountability and stated that the Sindh Wildlife Department would be held directly responsible for any violation of wildlife protection laws across the province.

The Wildlife Department will also be tasked with neutralising exotic species to prevent reproduction, maintaining ecological balance, and controlling population growth.

He further directed that all owners of exotic animals must declare and register their animals with the Wildlife Department within a specified timeframe.

The department will issue habitat management guidelines and enforce population control measures. Possession of illegal or unregistered exotic animals will result in strict penalties and legal action under the Wildlife Act.

The chief secretary also announced that a comprehensive consultation session will soon be convened with wildlife experts, civil society representatives, academic scholars, and government officials to address conservation challenges, including wildlife trafficking, habitat degradation, and pending litigation concerning endangered species.

The session will aim to develop recommendations for legislative reforms, enhanced enforcement mechanisms, and sustainable wildlife management strategies.

Mr Shah reaffirmed that protecting biodiversity, preventing habitat degradation, and ensuring the humane treatment of animals remain top priorities of the government of Sindh.

He emphasised that wildlife protection laws must be enforced in letter and spirit to safeguard the natural heritage of Sindh for future generations.

Lawyers vow to resist 27th Amendment 'till last drop of blood'

Strike observed at City Courts, SHC proceedings also affected

By Sumair Abdullah

KARACHI: The legal fraternity, during a convention on Wednesday, denounced the 27th Constitutional Amendment and vowed "to fight till the last drop of blood" for the independence of the judiciary.

The "Lawyers Convention" was organised by the Karachi Bar Association at the City Courts, where the legal community expressed solidarity with the victims of the Nov 11 suicide blast outside the district & sessions court in Islamabad and denounced the 27th Amendment.

Speaking to the participants, veteran of the 2007 lawyers' movement Ali Ahmed Kurd strongly criticised parliamentarians and judges, saying the convention was "a sign of what was bound to happen and what had to happen but from now on, things will happen the way we want them to."

He further said that one of the major reasons for the country's downfall was the repeated imposition of martial law in Pakistan.

Former attorney general Anwar Mansoor Khan said that during the time of the 26th Amendment, people did not protest "out of fear that their families might be picked up or harmed."

Pointing towards the charged young lawyers, he added, "If this energy and spirit continue, the government will be compelled to roll back the 27th Amendment."

He added that the only way to roll back the recent amendment is to resist it and struggle for constitutional rights, as "the people of Pakistan are not slaves."

Barrister Salahuddin Ahmed condemned the suicide attack in Islamabad and remarked that the core problem lies in the absence of institutional policy in the country as every individual who comes to power "enforces their own agenda instead."

Speaking about the 27th Amendment, Barrister Ahmed said: "It is now being said that another amendment to the Constitution is also on the way, one that will relate to the provinces, and they claim that no one will be able to stop it".

He further stated that "the Field Marshal is no longer part of the government and can only be removed from office through impeachment by a two-thirds majority."

Barrister Ahmed added that what former ruler Pervez Musharraf and others could not achieve, the current government has now done "by granting the Field Marshal lifetime immunity."

In his address, KBA President Aamir Nawaz Warraich announced a full-day strike on Nov 15, saying the legal fraternity would hold a convention in Sukkur to share the next phase of their resistance.

Meanwhile, Syed Haider Imam Rizvi, former vice chairman of the Sindh Bar Council, also slammed the 27th Amendment and vowed to resist it "till the last drop of blood."

Representatives from district bar associations across Sindh, along with senior counsel, also spoke at the event.

The legal proceedings remained partially suspended at the Sindh High Court in line with the province-wide strike call given by the Sindh Bar Council as most of the lawyers stayed away from the court and also staged a protest on the premises of the SHC.

They chanted slogans against the 27th amendment and also requested the acting Chief Justice of the SHC Zafar Ahmed Rajput to discharge the board (cases fixed for hearing on Wednesday). However, he did not entertain it.

It is pertinent to mention that the legal proceedings at the City Courts remained suspended over the strike call given by the KBA against the suicide attack in Islamabad and in defence of the judiciary.

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TENDER CANCELLATION NOTICE

This is with reference to the Notice Inviting Tender (NIT) INF-KRY. No. 3322/2025 dated: 19-10-2025 for **"Hiring of the Services of Private Security Company for Provision of 54 Security Guards (02 for each Peoples Service Centers, LARMIS across Sindh) Reforms Wing & Special Cell, Board of Revenue Sindh"** published in Daily Dawn, Jang and Kawish etc.

The above tender is hereby cancelled with immediate effect.

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OFFICE OF THE
DEPUTY INSPECTOR GENERAL OF POLICE
TRAFFIC, KARACHI.

TENDER NOTICE

In accordance with Sindh Public Procurement Rules, 2010 (Amended 2019), the Police Department, Government of Sindh, invites tenders from authorized partner/distributer and suppliers registered with FBR for Sales Tax, Income Tax & SRB and other related taxes for the supply of the following Services for Sindh Police: -

S. No.	Items Name	Qty
1	Printing of E-Challan Services for TRACS (Traffic Regulations and Citation System)	1

INSTRUCTIONS:

1. Single-Stage Two-envelope Procedure will be adopted for the tender process. Bid shall comprise of a single package containing two separate envelopes. Each envelope shall contain separately sealed financial proposal and technical proposal. Envelopes shall be marked as "FINANCIAL PROPOSAL" and "TECHNICAL PROPOSAL" in bold and legible letters to avoid confusion.
2. The Tender Document/Bid (along with a copy of Bid Security/Earnest Money and supporting documents) should be submitted/uploaded on SPPRA's e-Procurement Portal (EPADS) at https://portalsindh.eprocure.gov.pk. The tender document can also be obtained from the office of the DIGP, Traffic Karachi, PHQ Garden South Karachi, on submission of an application on the bidder's letterhead along with tender fees of Rs. 3,000/- per item (non- refundable), up to 28-11-2025 at 1400 hours. Interested bidders may also download the bid documents directly from the EPADS portal and submit them without any physical interaction.
3. Sealed tenders on prescribed proforma in duplicate along with 5% earnest money of the total bid in the form of Pay Order (Payee's A/c in favour of IGP Sindh) dropped in the tender box kept in office of Directorate Technology ground floor Central Police Office, I.I. Chundrigar Road, Karachi on or before 28-11-2025 at 1400 hours and should be submitted/uploaded on SPPRA EPADS https://portalsindh.eprocure.gov.pk
4. The tender shall be opened on 28-11-2025 at 1430 hours in presence of Procurement Committee and in presence of representatives of bidders who choose to be present on the occasion, in the office of DIGP Traffic Karachi, PHQ Garden South Karachi.
5. Only authorized dealers/distributors Service providers and suppliers registered with FBR for Sales Tax, SRB, Income Tax & other related Taxes are eligible to participate in the tenders (documentary proof required).
6. Only bids offered on the prescribed tender form issued by the Police Department shall be accepted. However, additional sheets may be attached, if required.
7. The bid offering partial scope of work shall be rejected as non-responsive.
8. Conditional tender / application will not be entertained.
9. The Police Department reserves the right to increase or decrease the quantity of items as per SPPRA Rules.
10. Competent authority can cancel the bidding process at any time prior to the acceptance of a proposal as per provision of Rule-25(1) of SPP-Rules.2010 (Amended 2019).
11. Bid documents can be downloaded from SPPRA website https://portalsindh.eprocure.gov.pk and Sindh Police website www.sindhpolice.gov.pk.

(SYED PEER MUHAMMAD SHAH) PSP
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IN THE HON'BLE COURT OF SPECIAL JUDGE
(CUSTOMS & TAXATION & ANTI-SMUGGLING-1), KARACHI

Special Case No. 75/2017
FIR //ASO-70/2017-HQ
P.S. CUSTOMS, KARACHI

The State..... Versus.... Syed Ehtasham & Others

PROCLAMATION REQUIRING THE APPEARANCE OF ACCUSED PERSON UNDER SECTION 87 Cr. PC.

Whereas, complaint had made before me that the following accused persons, has committed an offence of smuggling and it has been returned to a warrant of arrest issued thereupon that the said accused persons cannot be found and whereas it had been shown to my satisfaction that the above mentioned accused person absconded to avoid the service of the said warrants.

Sr. No.	Name of absconding accused	CNIC No.	Address
1	Syed Ehtesham Zaidi S/o Syed Shamim Ahmed Zaidi	42101-1668111-5	House No, B-702, Mohallah Madina Blessing, Gulshan-e-Iqbal Block-A/10, Karachi

2. Proclamation is hereby made that the said accused is required to appear on **27.11.2025** at **09:00 am** before this Hon'able Court to answer the said complaint.

Given under my hand and seal of this Court on 15.10.2025

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Special Judge Special Court (Customs & Taxation-I)
Karachi Katali

PID K.1663/25

PAKISTAN MARINE ACADEMY (Ministry of Maritime Affairs)
HAWKS BAY ROAD, MAURIPUR, KARACHI-75780 | 021- 99241201-5,021-99241206
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TENDER NOTICE

No. PMA/AO-Tender/Misc/Nov/2025/: Sealed bids are invited from well reputed and authorized Firms registered with Sales Tax and Income Tax Department for **Repair and Maintenance Work (Minor) of Office Buildings and Cleaning of Solar Panels Contract.**

Bidding documents can be obtained from the office of undersigned up to **Friday 28th November, 2025 by 1030 hours** on payment of Rs. 1,000/- [Rupees One Thousand Only *(Non - Refundable)*], in the shape of pay order in favor of "Pakistan Marine Academy (PMA), Karachi". Bidding documents can also be downloaded from PMA as well as PPRA websites for which aforementioned pay order shall be submitted along with proposals prior to bid opening.

Bids under Single Stage One Envelop along with earnest money equivalent to 2% of total bid price, will be received up to **Friday 28th November, 2025 by 1030 hours**. Bids will be opened on the same day at 1100 hours in front of the bidders or their representatives. Any bid not accompanied by earnest money will be rejected without any right of appeal.

Pakistan Marine Academy (PMA), Karachi reserves the rights to accept or reject any bid as per PPRA rules or accept the whole or part of bid. This tender notice and bidding documents are also available at PMA and PPRA websites i.e. **www.marineacademy.edu.pk** and **www.ppra.org.pk**

PID K.1662/25

NAZIR AHMED LANJWANI
Administrative Officer

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